

ment of Kerala has informed that as a result of decentralisation of the administration of subjects relating to Scheduled Tribes development in Kerala with effect from 1.4.1991, the administration of hostels for tribal students was also transferred to the newly formed District Councils. The funds for implementation of various schemes/installments are allotted to District Councils in monthly installments. The allotment of funds was not made for hostels after three monthly instalment due to non-receipt of the utilisation certificates of the previous instalments which resulted in the shortage of supply of food materials. However, supplies were arranged from local shops on credit basis. The administration of the subjects relating to Scheduled Tribes Development including all institution like hostels have been taken back by the State Government from the District Councils in November, 1991 and sufficient funds allotted to the hostels for arranging normal supplies. Now there is no problem.

[Translation]

Facilities to Freedom Fighters

6696. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the number of freedom fighters who have refused to take pension and other facilities provided to them by the Union Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980, Pension and other facilities such as free 1st class railway pass, free medical facilities in all hospitals under the Central Government and the Bureau of Public Enterprise and C. G. H. S. facilities wherever the scheme is in operation etc., are provided only to those freedom fighters who are desirous of the same on

receipt of their application and subject to their fulfilling the criteria prescribed in the above said scheme. The question of refusing the pension etc. would not arise.

However, as a token of the Nation's gratitude to the invaluable contribution made by freedom fighters in attaining the goal toward the Country's Independence. Central Government offered freedom fighters' pension Suo-moto to 270 eminent freedom fighters so far. Out of them 17 freedom fighters have refused to take pension and other facilities.

[English]

Per Capita Availability of Milk and Milk Products

6697. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT:
SHRI BAPU HARI CHAURE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the per capita availability of milk, ghee, butter and cheese in rural and urban areas in each State during the last three years; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to increase the production of these products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) A statement indicating Statewise per capita availability of milk during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 (provisional) is attached. Separate data for per capita availability of milk, ghee, butter and cheese in rural and urban areas are not available.

(b) Following are the main strategies being pursued to increase the milk production:-

(i) Genetic improvement of nationally important cattle breeds by selective breeding in their home tracts and upgrading in other selected areas;

(ii) Cross-breeding of non-describe cattle with exotic dairy breeds;

(iii) Genetic improvement of important buffalo breeds by selective breed-

ing and upgrading of non-descript buffaloes;

(iv) Development of feed and fodder resources;

(v) Organisation of effective animal health services to support the production programme; and

(vi) Implementation of Operation Flood Programme.

STATEMENT

Statement Indicating State-wise Per Capita Availability of Milk During 19 88-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91

Sl. No.	State	Per capita availability of milk (Kgs/ annum)		
		1988-89	1989-90	1990-91 (Prov.)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	45.2	47.7	45.5
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	49.2	50.1	49.8
3.	Assam	25.7	25.7	26.6
4.	Bihar	33.9	35.2	35.8
5.	Goa	21.1	20.5	20.0
6.	Gujarat	75.7	81.8	84.4
7.	Haryana	176.5	194.9	193.3
8.	Himachal Pradesh	99.9	102.9	108.6
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	62.8	65.9	73.2
10.	Karnataka	52.3	52.4	53.7
11.	Kerala	52.2	54.4	56.6
12.	Madhya Pradesh	70.7	71.5	72.7
13.	Maharashtra	37.8	43.2	48.5

Sl. No.	State	Per capita availability of milk (Kgs/annum)		
		1988-89	1989-90	1990-91 (Prov.)
14.	Manipur	46.7	46.3	45.0
15.	Meghalaya	29.2	28.3	28.1
16.	Mizoram	12.7	13.7	11.7
17.	Nagaland	33.1	30.9	40.0
18.	Orissa	14.2	14.6	14.8
19.	Punjab	237.1	250.4	254.7
20.	Rajasthan	97.7	99.8	100.4
21.	Sikkim	60.8	63.0	62.9
22.	Tamil Nadu	59.6	62.2	60.9
23.	Tripura	10.9	10.6	11.0
24.	Uttar Pradesh	68.3	69.5	72.3
25.	West Bengal	42.6	43.4	44.3

Production of Diesel

(c) the projection of indigenous supply during the Eight Five Year Plan period; and

6698. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the current demand for diesel in agriculture, transport and industrial sectors respectively;

(b) the share of indigenous sources of supply in meeting the current demand for diesel;

(d) whether the country can be self-sufficient in production of diesel in foreseeable future?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKAR-ANAND): (a) The sector-wise consumption during 1990-91 is as follows: –

(1) Transport (Incl. Agr. Retail (Trade)

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